

## Issuance of a Temporary RN Work Permit for Applicants by Endorsement to complete a Criminal Background Check

With the completion and submission of a revised October 2009 Application for Licensure by Endorsement, a 45-day temporary RN work permit may be issued for applicants by endorsement to complete the fingerprint requirements in Georgia at a Cogent System-GAPS print location. Issuance of a temporary RN work permit is an indication that an applicant has registered with Cogent Systems, has submitted a Cogent Registration ID Number and a completed application for licensure by endorsement.

The temporary RN work permit will allow applicants to practice in the State of Georgia until:

- The temporary permit expires and/or
- The temporary permit is deemed null and void upon substantiating that responses included on the application are not supported by the criminal background check results.

The temporary RN work permit is not renewable and will expire in 45 days. If quality fingerprint results have not been received before the expiration date, the applicant can no longer practice within the State of Georgia and therefore deemed ineligible for licensure. The applicant may reapply with a new application with background check completed before application is considered for licensure. A second temporary RN work permit will not be reissued.

**NOTE:** (See Endorsement Application for additional instructions.)